# **United States Army Recruiting Command**



Newcomer's Orientation









# Newcomer's Orientation Agenda

- Opening Remarks
- USAREC Family Programs Overview Video
- Overview of USAREC's Quality of Life (QOL)

Support

- Questions
- Closing Remarks
- Request Feedback









# **USAREC** Mission

"Provide the Strength of the Army"

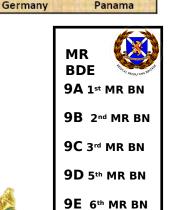
1 October 2013 through September 2019, the Army (USAREC) will recruit professional, volunteer Soldiers; Soldier 2020, capable of effectively executing operations in the Army complex operating environment.







**U.S. Army Recruiting Command FY14** 6L **6H** 5K 9E **6**J 61 **5H** 6N 4G 9D 6K 3D 6 Brigades **4J** 3A 44 Battalions 4P 4C **3H** 9B 261 Companies 3E 2 Districts 4E **OCONUS** 982 Centers Alaska Japan 7397 RA Recruiters 4K Hawaii Amer Samoa 1427 AR Recruiters Puerto Rico S. Korea



Guam

Virgin Islands

6th **BDE** 



- **6F** Los Angeles **Portland**
- **Sacramento** Salt Lake
- City
- **6K Southern Cal**
- Seattle 6N Fresno



**Denver** 

City

Houston

**Phoenix** 

Oklahoma



- 3rd **BDE**
- 5A Chicago 5C Cleveland
- 5D Columbus 4G Kansas City 5H Indianapolis
  - **Great Lakes** San Antonio 5J Milwaukee
    - 5K Minneapolis 5N Nashville

#### 2nd **BDE**

- 3A Atlanta
- 3D Columbia 3E Jacksonville
- 3G Miami
- 3H Montgomery Raleigh
- 3N Tampa
- **Baton Rouge**



1A Albany 1B Baltimore 1D New England

1E Harrisburg

1G New York Cty **1K Mid-Atlantic** 

1N Syracuse

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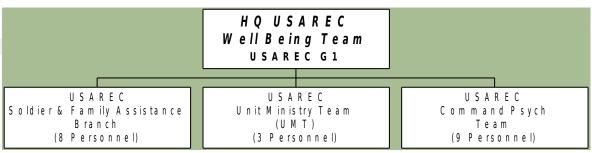


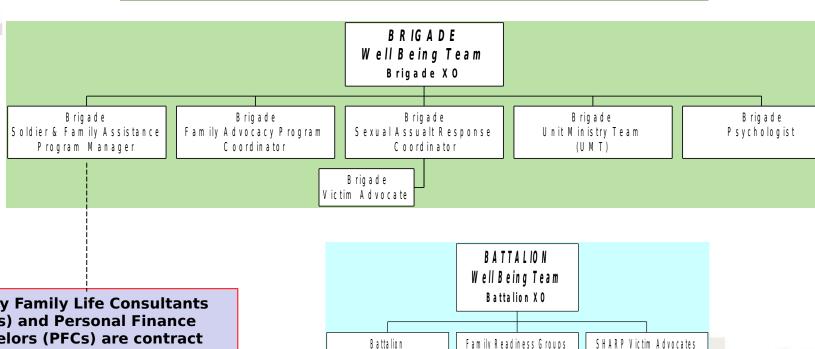
8824 Total Recruiters

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# **USAREC** Well Being Team





Military Family Life Consultants (MFLCs) and Personal Finance Counselors (PFCs) are contract employees providing area support to each Brigade (12 teams total: 2/BDE)



Soldier and Familiv

Assistance Program Manager



## **Program Responsibilities** Family Advocacy & Sexual Harassment Assault Response Program (SHARP)





### Family Advocacy Program (FAP)

- One per BDE
- **Domestic Violence**
- Child Abuse
- **FAP Prevention Programs**

#### **SHARP**

- Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC) - all BDE SARCs on board
- In the process of hiring GS 9 Civilian SHARP Victim Advocates (VA)
- One per Brigade
- Two per Battalion

\*\*Note (some larger BNs have more than





# **Program Responsibilities of SFAs: Multi-skilled Providers**



 Financial Readiness and Consumer
 Affairs Programs

Manages Personal Financial

#### Counselors

- Army Family Action Plan
- Army Family Team Building
   Family Member Employment



#### **Assistance**

· Information, Referral, and Follow-

#### up

- Sponsorship Training (e-Sponsor)
- (NAF) Management for SFA

Programs
SFA Contact Number:
1-800-79656989unteer Management



**Relocation Assistance** 



Exceptional
Family Member
Program



TRICARE/TPR & TPRADFM





Child Youth and School Services Resource and Referrals





### **Certified Beneficiary Counseling Assistance Coordinator (BCAC) for TRICARE**

- Liaison between the Soldier/Family Member & TRICARE
- Claims resolution
- Enrollment assistance
- Briefings for the Soldier/Family Member at in-processing and annually-usually ATC

### **Dental Program**

- Enrollment assistance
- Active Duty Dental Program (ADDP) for remote Soldiers
- Claims resolution







### **Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)**

- Enrollment/disenrollment assistance
- Liaison with ACS EFMP staff
- EFMP Stabilization
- EFMP Respite Care



### Two EFMP System Navigators Assigned to USAREC:

- provides referrals and resources, as well as advocate for your family
- 1st & 2nd Brigades and MRB contact Mr. Edward "Dwight" Wiggins: edward.d.wiggins4.ctr@mail.mil or 502-626-1080
- 3rd, 5th, & 6th Brigades contact Ms. Emily Hay, Emily.g.hay2.ctr@mail.mil or 502-626-2015







#### Education Assistance

- Scholarship information/resources
- GI Bill assistance
- Tutor.com

#### Child Care Assistance

- SitterCity
- Army Fee Assistance Child Care Progran
  - Created to assist Army Sponsors with the cost of off-post child care, allowing Families to pay fees comparable to those charged at an installation.
  - Spouses can be working, looking for work or in school full time
  - 5 hours respite care, available every month <a href="http://financeweb.gsa.gov/childcare\_portal/childcare\_army\_home">http://financeweb.gsa.gov/childcare\_portal/childcare\_army\_home</a>

### Volunteer Opportunities

- USAREC specific volunteer awards
- Receive specialized training
- Travel
- Some refundable expenses









### Spouse Employment

- Employment Partnership of the Armed Forces
- Military Spouse Employment Partnership
- Military Spouse Corporate Career Netwo
- SECO
- Milicruit
- Hero to Hired
- USA Jobs
- Spouse Licensure Portability- USA4MilitaryFamilies
- State Employment Services
  - Cover some child care costs
  - Provide education or training
  - Veterans employment assistance
  - Military Spouse unemployment benefits







### Spouse Scholarships:

- National Military Family Association-Joanne Holbrook Military Spouse Scholarship
- MyCAA
- Army Emergency Relief (AER)
- Fisher House Foundation
- Career One Stop
- Commissary Scholarship Program
- Saban Military Spouse Educational Scholarship
- Thanks USA
- Pat Tillman Foundation
- Military Officers Association of America
- Army Scholarship Foundation







- Military Family Life Consultants (MFLC)
  - Short-term solution focused, non-medical



- Personal Financial Counselor (PFC)
  - Debt reduction, security clearance issues, car/home buying, college planning, retirement planning
- \*\* NOTE: 2 MFLC/PFC teams are assigned to Bricada







## Utilizing Technology to Overcome Challenges

- Army OneSource (AOS)
- Military One Source (MOS)
- My Installation: Battalion Sites
- Plan My Move
- vFRG
- Google + Hangout
  - FRG Meeting
  - Senior FRG Advisor Family Forums
- Virtual Teleconference (VTC)
  - Qtrly FRG Executive Steering Mtgs
  - Collaboration with SFAs
- Teleconference
- Defense Connect Online (DCO)
- Facebook Sites: BN Sites, Spouse Grp
- 211 Assistance























# 211 United Way Assistance

### 211 United Way:

 United Way has become synonymous with caring and helping children, families and individuals. They have a long tradition of helping

people with basic needs food, clothing, shelter and safety and changing lives through strong, well-managed programs. United Way is

also engaging the community to get to the heart of problems.

- As of February 2014 all 50 states are covered plus Washington
   DC
- & Puerto Rico
- There are specific pots of money for the Military
- They are available to assist with various issues







# **PCS Programs**

### Relocation Assistance

- MilitaryINSTALLATIONS via Military OneSource
- Plan My Move
- Information and Referral Resources



### PCS Entitlements

- BAH, BAS,TLE etc
- SDAP
- Government Leased Housing

### Financial Readiness

- Emergency Assistance- AER/Red Cross
- Referral to appropriate financial counselors







### **Leased Government Housing Program**

#### **Our Mission**

- Educate Soldiers through briefings on the **Leased Housing Program entitlements** during the Army Recruiter Course (ARC), **Pre-Command Course, Command Sergeant** Major Course, Executive Officer Course, First **Sergeant Course, and Center Commanders** Course, and assisting the US Army Corps of **Engineers (COE) in finding suitable leased** housing
- Receive, review and submit housing applications to the COE
- Counsel Soldier and spouse if needed on the **Leased Housing Program or other housing** options Basic Qualifications allowed, some restrictions do
- All ranks may participate
- Soldiers whose duty stations are less than a 1-hour commute from military installations with available housing, will not be permitted to apply for LGH unless they obtain a nonavailability certificate from the installation's housing office. Distance and commute exceptions will be granted with a certificate of non-availability from the housing office.

As of 9 DE 10114

- Soldiers will have to forfeit BAH once dwellings are occupied; both Service Members will forfeit their BAH in dual military households
- BAH + 20% out-of-pocket will cover rent, utilities and rental insurance

#### **Important Notes**

- Corps of Engineers (COE) will pay SM **Rent and Utilities**
- No credit check or deposit required
- COE signs lease with the lessor
- Average application processing time is 33 days
- The dwelling will be safe, suitable, and sanitary





# **USAREC** Housing Office

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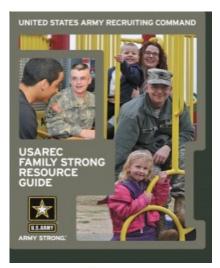






# **USAREC QOL Programs**

- Family Readiness Group (FRG):
  - Commander's Program
  - SFAs provide training & guidance
- Family Strong Resource Guide (There's an APP for that!): USAREC maps, history, recruiting key processes, Chain of Command, QOL programs, resource information and URL links
- Chaplain Programs
- Brigade Psychologist









# Office of the Command Psychologist

# Command Psychologist Core Functions

- Provide operational and organizational Psychology consultation for the CG, USAREC Staff, and subordinate commands
- Crisis response and critical incidents coordinator
- Coordinate BH issues/policies with TRADOC and OTSG
- Implement and manage the screening of Recruiters at the RRS
- Manage WTU applications for USAREC
- Validate, implement, and train BH community on the standards for behavioral health assessments of Recruiters.

### **Key OCP Programs**

- •Assessment and Selection
  Conduct 100% evaluation of all students
  at the RRS to ensure the suitability for
  duties and responsibilities of recruiting
- •USAREC Leader's Edge Program
  Multi-rater evaluation program for leaders
  to operate in complex environment by
  improving self awareness
- •Adaptive Leader Program
  Improve self awareness of leaders and new recruiters for improved/adaptive performance. URAC and suicide prevention training to provide tools for leaders to communicate and learn to

identify and support at-risk Soldiers.





## Office of the Command Psychologist Leaders

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## **CHAPLAIN**

#### Mission

Perform and provide quality religious support to a TEAM of dispersed and specialized professionals responsible for recruiting the All-Volunteer Army. Technically supervise, resource, train, and support the brigade unit ministry teams (UMT) to provide for the constitution free exercise of religion, spiritual fitness, health, and wellness of the organization.

#### **Vision**

Resource, inspire, and challenge the recruiting force to be spiritually fit, ready, and resilient.
• Statutory:

- - Acts of worship, sacraments, rites, and ceremonies
  - Accommodate recognized DoD faith groups
- Coach, train, and mentor Brigade UMTs
- Resource Brigade Strong Bonds Events (A, B, C)
- Spiritual Fitness:
  - Nurturing the Living
  - Care for the Wounded
  - Honor the Fallen
- Training:
  - Suicide Awareness and Prevention

#### Personnel

CH (LTC) Dallas M. Walker **Command Chaplain** 

**SFC James Nelson** Sr. NCO **Chaplain Assistant**  Ms. Anna Randall CH/EO/EEO **Administrative Assistant** 

#### **Top Five Objectives**

- Provide Religious Support
- Support the Brigade UMTs and Recruiting Force
- FY15 Strong Bonds Program (Singles, Couples, and Families)
- Spiritual Fitness, Health, and Wellness of the **Organization**
- Chaplain Led Training





## **USAREC** Online Resources

Family Resource Guide Link:

http://www.usarec.army.mil/downloads/hq/HRD/SFA/USA REC\_FamilyResourceGuideOct2013.pdf

 HQ USAREC Soldier and Family Assistance Facebook Site:

https://www.facebook.com/USARECSFAB

 HQ USAREC Soldier and Family Assistance Website:

http://www.usarec.army.mil/hq/HRD/SFA/index.shtml







# Summary

- <u>Toll-free number for all SFAs</u>: 1-800-790-0963, plus Brigade number then select Battalion.
- ICE Feedback Link We need your feedback! https://ice.disa.mil/index.cfm? fa=card&sp=134221&s=1159&dep=\*DoD&sc=6
- **YOUR QUESTIONS**: Answers to all submitted questions will be posted to this YouTube page as well as the SFAB website:

http://www.usarec.army.mil/hq/HRD/SFA/index.shtml





# In Closing

# Thank You!





